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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY ARMSTRONG

1. AS YOU LEARNED DURING YOUR CONSULTATION HERE, USTS ADOPTED POLICY NOVEMBER 1 ON INDUSTRY-SPONSORED FAMILIARIZATION TOURS ORIGINATING IN COUNTRIES NOT SERVED BY USTS WHICH PROVIDES FOR USTS TO PROCESS WAIVERS FOR FREE TRANSPORTATION FOR TRAVEL AGENT PARTICIPANTS IN UP TO 3 SUCH TOURS PER YEAR, IF CERTAIN CRITERIA MET, AND SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF MANPOWER WHEN REQUEST MADE.

2. HOWEVER, USTS NOT DISPOSED TO PROCESS WAIVER UNDER NEW POLICY FOR JOURNALIST TOUR REFTEL. BASICALLY, USTS BELIEVES TOURS FOR TRAVEL AGENTS HAVE MORE DIRECT AND UNCLASSIFIED

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IMMEDIATE IMPACT ON PROMOTION TOURISM TO U.S. THAN TOURS

FOR JOURNALISTS.

3. ACCORDINGLY IN VIEW OF CONTINUING NEGATIVE ATTITUDE OF
USTS, AND IN RESPONSE YOUR SUGGESTION PARA 2 REFTTEL, USIA
IS SUBMITTING WAIVER REQUEST TO CAB FOR WRITERS, ESCORTS
AND WILL ADVISE SOONEST. KISSINGER

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